



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics – August 2015

The following data is authorised for release by the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) and relates to the number of formal indictments (*Information*) filed in the High Courts of Fiji by the Director of Public Prosecutions throughout the month. This data is confined to incidents of serious sexual offences only.

There were 25 people charged with a total of 42 separate incidents of serious sexual offences in August. The offences consisted of rape (34), defilement (4), and sexual assault (4).

There were 20 victims of 42 separate incidents. Of the 20, 15 were under the age of 18 years.

Of these 15, eight were between the ages of 3 and 10, while seven were between the ages of 12 and 17.

There were 11 rape victims under the age of 18 years, two victims of defilement and two victims of sexual assault.

One case was discontinued before the courts after a discontinuance (*Nolle Prosequi*) was filed for one rape matter.

There was one serious sexual offence that involved a couple in a domestic relationship.

There was one serious sexual offence that involved a child of 3 years of age.

Refer to the graph and table entitled *ODPP Rape and Sexual Offences Statistics August 2015* for a break-down of these statistics.



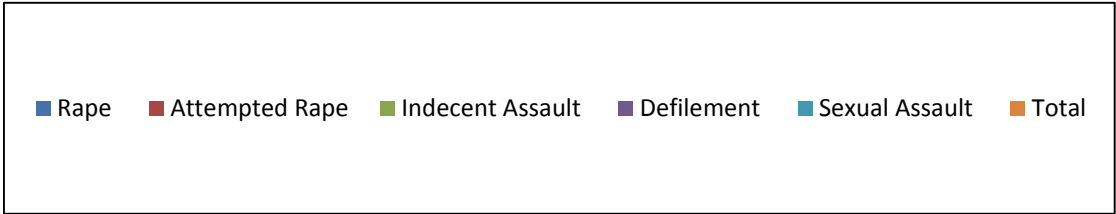
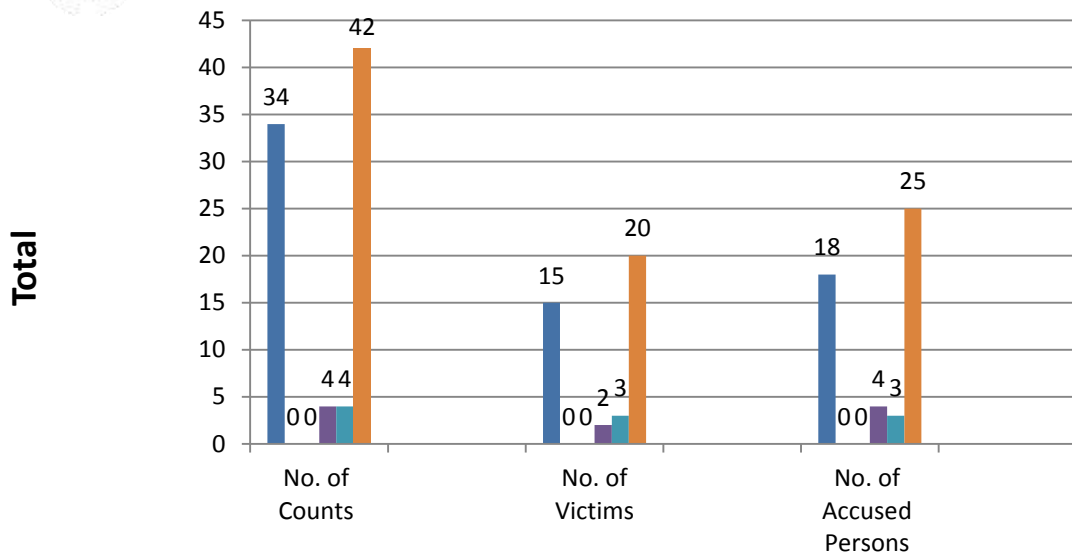
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	Rape	Attempted Rape	Indecent Assault	Defilement	Sexual Assault	Total
No. of Counts	34	0	0	4	4	42
Total No. of Victims	15	0	0	2	3	20
No. of Victims under 18 years	11	0	0	2	2	15
Total No. of Accused Persons	18	0	0	4	3	25
No. of Accused Persons under 18 years	0	0	0	1	0	1
No. of <i>Nolle Prosequi</i> filed	1	0	0	0	0	1
No. of counts involving people in domestic relationships	1	0	0	0	0	1
No. of False Complaints	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: ODPP Fiji



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